

**Amendments to the Claims:**

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

**Listing of Claims:**

1. (currently amended) A method for providing a notification to a preferred communication device of a plurality of communication devices associated with a user, where ~~wherein~~ each of the communication devices can be designated as the preferred communication device, the method comprising:

receiving, at a server, a notification from one of the communication devices indicating that incoming data has been received at the one communication device, where the incoming data includes an incoming call, a voice mail, or a short message service (SMS) message; and

transmitting the received notification to the preferred communication device, where transmitting the received notification includes: [[:]]

transmitting a first text message to the preferred communication device when the incoming data includes the incoming call,

transmitting a second text message to the preferred communication device when the incoming data includes the voice mail, the second text message providing a function to play back the voice mail and

transmitting a third text message to the preferred communication device when the incoming data includes the SMS message, the third text message providing an ability to view the SMS message

~~receiving, at the server, a selection, made by the user, of another one of the  
communication devices for which notifications are to be transmitted to the preferred  
communication device.~~

2. (currently amended) The method of claim 1, ~~wherein~~ where transmitting the notification to the preferred communication device comprises storing the notification in a database if the preferred communication device cannot receive the notification.

3. (previously presented) The method of claim 1, further comprising:  
selecting the preferred communication device from among the plurality of  
communication devices.

4. (previously presented) The method of claim 1, further comprising:  
receiving, at the server, a selection, made by the user, of a time period during which  
notifications are to be transmitted to the preferred communication device.

5. (canceled)

6. (previously presented) The method of claim 1, further comprising:  
receiving, at the server, a selection, made by the user, of one or more calling parties from  
which notifications are to be transmitted to the preferred communication device.

7. (currently amended) The method of claim 6, ~~wherein~~ where receiving the selection is based on a calendar function for providing date specific notifications.

8. (previously presented) The method of claim 1, further comprising:  
receiving, at the server, a selection, made by the user, of the preferred communication device for receiving notifications based on the time of day or a calling party.

9. (canceled)

10. (currently amended) An apparatus for providing a notification to a preferred communication device of a plurality of communication devices which may be used by a user to initiate and receive communications, the apparatus comprising:

a server ~~configured~~ to:

receive a notification from one of the communication devices indicating that incoming data has been received at the one communication device, where the incoming data includes an incoming call, a voice mail, or a short message service (SMS) message; and

transmit the notification to the preferred communication device, the notification including an identification of the type of the incoming data, where, when transmitting the notification, the server is further to: [[:]]

transmit a first text message to the preferred communication device when the incoming data includes the incoming call;

transmit a second text message to the preferred communication device  
when the incoming data includes the voice mail, the second text message providing a function to  
play back the voice mail, and

transmit a third text message to the preferred communication device when  
the incoming data includes the SMS message, the third text message providing an ability to view  
the SMS message

~~receive a selection, made by the user, of another one of the communication~~  
~~devices for which notifications are to be transmitted to the preferred communication device.~~

11. (currently amended) The apparatus of claim 10, further comprising:  
a database ~~configured~~ to select calling parties from which notifications are to be transmitted  
to the preferred communication device.

12. (currently amended) The apparatus of claim 11, ~~wherein~~ where the database  
indicates times during which notifications are to be transmitted to the preferred communication  
device.

13. (canceled)

14. (canceled)

15. (new) The apparatus of claim 10, where the server is further to:  
determine if the preferred communication device is available; and

transmit the notification when the preferred communication device is available.

16. (new) The apparatus of claim 11, where the database indicates includes information about services to which the user subscribes.

17. (new) The apparatus of claim 10, where the server is further to:  
receive a selection, made by the user, of the preferred communication device for  
receiving notifications based on the time of day or a calling party.

18. (new) The apparatus of claim 10, where the database is further to:  
store the notification when the preferred communication device is unavailable.